



IT Filtering and Monitoring

Online safety and effective monitoring are integral to our safeguarding strategy.

NetSupport DNA is the tool used by Maiden Erlegh Trust to ensure that the internet is used safely in all our schools.

This piece of software is constantly monitoring activity on all PC's as well as internet traffic. All activity is cross referenced against a bank of URLs and a glossary of words and phrases that could be a cause for concern. These are regularly updated and reviewed by NetSupport as well our inhouse network management team.

- When an alert is triggered by a pupil/student, an email is sent to the Designated Safeguarding Lead of the school.
- When an alert is triggered by a member of staff, an email is sent to the Headteacher.

All alerts are assessed for risk and any that are judged to be safeguarding concerns will be followed up.

For online activity that contravenes the Acceptable Use of Digital Technology Policy and/or the Staff Code of Conduct, the relevant Trust policies will be followed. This could lead to sanctions up to and including Permanent Exclusion (for a child) and Dismissal (for a member of staff). If necessary, the police and local authorities will be informed.

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